

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of claims in this application.

1. (original) Method for testing the presence and verifying the identity of an individual, characterised in that it comprises the steps of:

- receiving, by a bracelet unit that the individual wears, a verification signal sent by a central unit;
- measuring within a predetermined time at least one biometric record of the individual directly by said bracelet;
- detecting position data of the bracelet;
- transmitting by the bracelet a set of signals of response comprising said biometric record and said position data;
- receiving by the central unit said set of signals and comparison with data previously stored.

2. (original) Method for testing the presence and verifying the identity of an individual, according to claim 1, wherein said biometric record can be chosen among a fingerprint, an image of the retina, a vocal wave file of the individual under surveillance.

3. (currently amended) Method for testing the presence and verifying the identity of an individual, according to claim 1, wherein the step is provided also of detecting data of presence of the bracelet unit on the individual and/or data of tampering the bracelet.

4. (original) A bracelet unit for testing the presence and verifying the identity of an individual comprising:

- means for receiving a verification signal sent by a central unit;
- means for detecting at least one biometric record of the individual;

- means for detecting position data of the bracelet;
- means for transmitting the detected information to said central unit.

5. (original) Unit according to claim 4, wherein said means for detecting at least one biometric record of the individual are chosen among, in combination or alternatively:

- a device for detecting fingerprints;
- a scanner of the retina, associated to means for aligning with the eye of the individual;
- a microphone associated to a voice recognition chip.

6. (original) Unit according to claim 4, wherein means are provided for detecting data of presence of the bracelet on the individual, and/or means for detecting tamper of the bracelet.

7. (original) Unit according to claim 4, wherein said means for detecting position data comprise a GPS device that processes satellite signals.

8. (original) Unit according to claim 4, wherein said means for detecting data of presence of the bracelet on the individual can comprise in combination or alternatively:

- a sensor of heart beat,
- a sensor of body temperature,
- an underskin chip implanted in the individual under surveillance, associated to a system integrated in the bracelet that recognizes an identification code emitted by the underskin chip.

9. (original) Unit according to claim 4, characterised by having parallelepiped elongated shape with a central portion that comprises said means for receiving, detecting and transmitting, and two side ends made of flexible material.